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TAGS: PINS, BU (SHPETER, HENRICH NATAN)

SUBJECT: SHPETER CASE

REF: SOFIA 1239 AND PREVIOUS

1. AUSTRIAN AMBASSADOR CALLED ON DEPUTY MINISTER OF JUSTICE ON RENEWED INSTRUCTIONS FROM HIS GOVT TO KEEP UP PRESSURE FOR LENIENCY. DEPUTY MINISTER DISCLAIMED COMPETENCE BUT WAS ASKED TO CONVEY TO SUPREME COURT THE AUSTRIAN GOVT'S INTEREST IN THE SHPETER CASE AND HOPE THAT SENTENCE WILL BE SUBSTANTIALLY REDUCED.

2. AMB ALSO CONFIRMED TO US ACCURACY OF REUTERS JULY 24 REPORT THAT SHPETER HAS RECENTLY BEEN TRIED ON ANOTHER CHARGE, HOLDING MONEY IN A FOREIGN BANK ACCOUNT (ORIGINALLY INTENDED FOR HIS SON'S SCHOOLING IN VIENNA) AND SENTENCED. THAT CASE WAS ALSO TRIED IN CAMERA. SENTENCE SEEMS TO HAVE BEEN SEVEN YEARS IMPRISONMENT.

3. SINCE DEPUTY MINISTER SAID THAT SUPREME COURT IS RESPONSIBLE NOT TO MINISTRY OF JUSTICE BUT TO NATIONAL ASSEMBLY AND TO COUNCIL OF STATE WHICH IN TURN IS RESPONSIBLE TO NATIONAL ASSEMBLY, AUSTRIAN AMB ALSO RECOMMENDED TO HIS GOVT THAT PRESIDENT OF AUSTRIAN

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NATIONAL ASSEMBLY SEND TELEGRAM TO HIS BULGARIAN

COUNTERPART.

4. SUPREME COURT REVIEW IS STILL SCHEDULED FOR
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